

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-16 are pending. Claims 1-4 stand rejected and Claims 5-16 are allowed. While the Applicant does not agree with the rejections of Claims 1-4, they are cancelled in order to expedite prosecution of the remaining Claims, which have been allowed.

1. *(cancelled)*

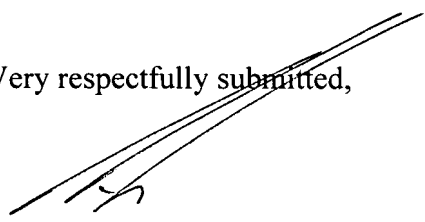
2. *(cancelled)*

3. *(cancelled)*

4. *(cancelled)*

Should the Examiner find that the Claims as presented are not in condition for allowance, the Applicant requests that the Examiner contact Earle Jennings or Gregory Smith at the phone number listed below.

Very respectfully submitted,



Gregory Scott Smith
GSS Law Group
3900 Newpark Mall Rd
Third Floor, Suite 317
Newark, CA 94560

Reg. No. 38,309
Phone (510) 742-7417
Fax (510) 742-7419